MR. P. S. MAHOMED: ആലപ്പുഴയേക്കാളധികം ചേർത്തല കൂലി കുറവാണോ, കൂടുതലാണോ?

MR. C. KUMARA DAS: The wages are less at Shertallai than at Alleppey.

Co-ordination in the work of the Development Departments.

197. *MR. T. K. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara* cum *Trivandrum*): Will the Government be pleased to state whether there is any scheme before the Government to co-ordinate the work of (a) Agricultural, (b) Industries, (c) Co-operative and (d) Forest Departments and if so what it is?

MR. C. KUMARA DAS: The Government are endeavouring to co-ordinate the work of these departments especially with reference to post-war requirements.

MR. T. K. NARAYANA PILLAI: May I know whether there is any co-ordination between the Co-operative Inspector and the Agricultural Inspector?

MR. C. KUMARA DAS: Sir, the whole question is being considered. At present there is no special co-ordinating agency. Government are considering the question of establishing an agency.

MR. T. K. NARAYANA PILLAI: May I know how long it will take before the present scheme is brought into effect?

PRESIDENT: Say, within a few months. The Government are trying to see the possibility of bringing all these under one joint Board operating more or less as one unit. These are the lines on which the matter is proposed to be dealt with.

Vidwan Examination of the Travancore University.

198. *MR. D. THOMAS (*Kalkulam* cum *Vilavancode*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) to which class or examination the candidates who pass the Vidwan examination of the Travancore University will be admitted if they wished to continue their studies; and

(*b*) whether the Goverament have any idea of introducing 'Bachelor of Oriental Languages' or any equivalent examination in the Travancore University?

MR. H. C. PAPWORTH (*Pro-Vice-Chancellor*): (*a*) The Vidwan Examination of the Travancore University does not at present lead to any higher examination in the University.

(*b*) Not at present.

Improvement of Public Libraries in the State.

199. *MR. G. PARAMESWARAN PILLAI: Will the Government be pleased to state the steps taken by them for the improvement of public libraries in the State?

MR. A. NARAYANAN TAMPI (*Director of Public Instruction*): The opening of new and the continuance of the existing libraries are encouraged and grant-in-aid is allowed according to rules in deserving cases

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[Mr. A. Narayanan Tampi.]

Certain Government publications are supplied free to the aided libraries while Government Gazette is supplied at half the price. These institutions are inspected periodically by the Inspecting Officers and improvements suggested.

Libraries in Travancore.

200. *MR. G. PARAMESWARAN PILLAI: Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table a list of the best conducted public libraries in Travancore?

MR. A. NARAYANAN TAMPI: The question is vague and its answer can only be a matter of opinion.

Muslim teachers.

201. *MR. P. S. MAHOMED: Will the Government be pleased:

(*a*) to lay on the table a statement of the number of graduate and non-graduate teachers in the English Schools; and

(*b*) to state the number of Muslims among them separately?

MR. A. NARAYANAN TAMPI: The time and labour involved in collecting the information are not commensurate with the benefit derivable.

Schools run by private managements.

202. *MR. K. G. KESAVAN NAIR (*Changanacherry* cum *Peermade*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the total number of all classes of schools run by private managements in the State;

(*b*) the total number of such institutions owned and run by Christians including church managements;

(*c*) the total number of such institutions owned and run by Hindus and Hindu organisations;

(*d*) the total number of such institutions owned and run by Muslims and Muslim organisations;

(*e*) the total amount of grant drawn by each of the classes of managements referred to in (b), (c) and (d) supra; and

(*f*) the total number of Hindu teachers employed in the class of management institutions in the class (b) above?

MR. A. NARAYANAN TAMPI: (*a*) 2669.

(*b*) (*c*) and (*d*) Accurate information cannot be furnished as there are a large number of changes in the managements of schools now.

(*e*) and (*f*) The time and labour involved in collecting the information asked for will be out of all proportion to its possible utility.

MR. P. C. THOMAS: Sir, may I kuow whether there was any shift of management from one community to another?

MR. A. NARAYANAN TAMPI: Sir, there were several changes of management. Whether it was from one community to another, it is not possible for me to say.

MR. P. C. THOMAS (*Kunnatnad* cum *Parur*): Sir, the question under Part (*b*), (*c*) and (*d*) was about the number of institutions run by the Hindus, Christians and Mussalmans. The answer given is that as there are several changes, it is impossible to give an acurate answer. May I know whether the difficulty in giving the answer is because of the changes of the managements from one community to another.

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